61.650 Board trustee of funds -- Investment committee -- Registration of securities -- Duties owed retirement system -- Application of open records law.

- (1) (a) The board shall be the trustee of the several funds created by KRS 16.510, 61.515, 61.701, and 78.520, notwithstanding the provisions of any other statute to the contrary, and shall have exclusive power to invest and reinvest such funds in accordance with federal law.
 - (b) The board may establish an investment committee whose members shall be appointed by the board chair. The investment committee shall have authority to implement policy and act on behalf of the board on all investment-related matters with full power to acquire, sell, safeguard, monitor, and manage the assets and securities of the several funds.
 - (c) A trustee, officer, employee, or other fiduciary shall discharge duties with respect to the retirement system:
 - 1. Solely in the interest of the members and beneficiaries;
 - 2. For the exclusive purpose of providing benefits to members and beneficiaries and paying reasonable expenses of administering the system;
 - 3. With the care, skill, and caution under the circumstances then prevailing that a prudent person acting in a like capacity and familiar with those matters would use in the conduct of an activity of like character and purpose;
 - 4. Impartially, taking into account any differing interests of members and beneficiaries;
 - 5. Incurring any costs that are appropriate and reasonable; and
 - 6. In accordance with a good-faith interpretation of the law governing the retirement system.
- (2) All securities acquired under authority of KRS 61.510 to 61.705 shall be registered in the name "Kentucky Retirement Systems" or nominee name as provided by KRS 286.3-225 and every change in registration, by reason of sale or assignment of such securities, shall be accomplished by the signatures of the chair of the board of trustees or a trustee appointed by the chair and the executive director of the systems.
- (3) The board, in keeping with its responsibility as trustee and wherever consistent with its fiduciary responsibilities, shall give priority to the investment of funds in obligation calculated to improve the industrial development and enhance the economic welfare of the Commonwealth.
- (4) The contents of real estate appraisals, engineering or feasibility estimates, and evaluations made by or for the system relative to the acquisition or disposition of property, until such time as all of the property has been acquired or sold, shall be excluded from the application of KRS 61.870 to 61.884 and shall be subject to inspection only upon order of a court of competent jurisdiction.

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ch. 52, sec. 12, effective July 15, 2002. -- Amended 1998 Ky. Acts ch. 105, sec. 16, effective July 15, 1998. -- Amended 1988 Ky. Acts ch. 349, sec. 25, effective July 15, 1988. -- Amended 1984 Ky. Acts ch. 232, sec. 3, effective July 13, 1984. -- Amended 1980 Ky. Acts ch. 246, sec. 11, effective July 15, 1980. -- Amended 1976 Ky. Acts ch. 321, sec. 40. -- Amended 1974 Ky. Acts ch. 128, sec. 27, effective March 26, 1974. -- Amended 1972 Ky. Acts ch. 116, sec. 49. -- Amended 1966 Ky. Acts ch. 35, sec. 13. -- Amended 1964 Ky. Acts ch. 86, sec. 9. -- Amended 1962 Ky. Acts ch. 58, sec. 20. -- Amended 1960 Ky. Acts ch. 165, Part II, sec. 15. -- Created 1956 Ky. Acts ch. 110, sec. 29.

Legislative Research Commission Note (7/12/2006). 2006 Ky. Acts ch. 247 instructs the Reviser of Statutes to adjust KRS references throughout the statutes to conform with the 2006 renumbering of the Financial Services Code, KRS Chapter 286. Such an adjustment has been made in this statute.